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Sir:

The following documentation and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

DOCUMENTATION

Attached hereto is:

a copy of written assertion of small entity status filed on even date herewith under separate cover; and/or

a copy of an executed Statement Claiming Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. § 1.9(f) and 1.27()) filed on even date herewith under separate cover.

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established by the filing of a written assertion/statement on March 22, 2001.

Small entity applicants may now file the necessary Statement within three (3) months of the date of payment of any particular fee and request a refund. The present application qualifies for the reduced fees as implemented by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 1, 1982, and further amended on January 20, 1983 and September 8, 2000.

The present application was filed on December 29, 2000 with a filing fee of \$2,694.00. It is respectfully requested that the excess fee of \$1,347.00 be credited to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

Favorable action on the present Request is respectfully requested.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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